

REFERENCE TITLE: insurance; adult children; continued coverage

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## **HB 2588**

Introduced by  
Representatives Lopes, Heinz, Young Wright: Deschene, Farley, Lujan,  
McGuire, Patterson, Tovar

### AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 20, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 3, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 20-846; AMENDING TITLE 20, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 9, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 20-1057.12; AMENDING TITLE 20, CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 4, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 20-1383; RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Title 20, chapter 4, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
3 is amended by adding section 20-846, to read:

4       20-846. Coverage for certain dependents until age twenty-five  
5                    by hospital or medical service corporation;  
6                    definition

7       A. A HOSPITAL SERVICE CORPORATION OR A MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATION  
8 THAT ISSUES OR RENEWS A SUBSCRIBER CONTRACT TO AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL ALLOW THE  
9 INDIVIDUAL THE OPTION OF PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR A DEPENDENT.

10     B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "DEPENDENT" MEANS A SUBSCRIBER'S  
11 CHILD BY BLOOD OR BY LAW WHO MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- 12       1. IS UNDER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE.
- 13       2. IS UNMARRIED.
- 14       3. HAS NO DEPENDENT.

15     4. IS NOT ACTUALLY PROVIDED COVERAGE AS A NAMED SUBSCRIBER, INSURED,  
16 ENROLLEE OR COVERED PERSON UNDER ANY OTHER GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL HEALTH  
17 BENEFITS PLAN, GROUP HEALTH PLAN OR CHURCH PLAN.

18     5. IS NOT ENTITLED TO BENEFITS UNDER TITLE XVIII OF THE SOCIAL  
19 SECURITY ACT.

20     Sec. 2. Title 20, chapter 4, article 9, Arizona Revised Statutes, is  
21 amended by adding section 20-1057.12, to read:

22       20-1057.12. Coverage for certain dependents until age  
23                    twenty-five by health care services organization;  
24                    definition

25     A. A HEALTH CARE SERVICES ORGANIZATION THAT ISSUES OR RENEWS AN  
26 EVIDENCE OF COVERAGE IN A HEALTH CARE PLAN TO AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL ALLOW THE  
27 INDIVIDUAL THE OPTION OF PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR A DEPENDENT.

28     B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "DEPENDENT" MEANS AN ENROLLEE'S  
29 CHILD BY BLOOD OR BY LAW WHO MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- 30       1. IS UNDER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE.
- 31       2. IS UNMARRIED.
- 32       3. HAS NO DEPENDENT.

33     4. IS NOT ACTUALLY PROVIDED COVERAGE AS A NAMED SUBSCRIBER, INSURED,  
34 ENROLLEE OR COVERED PERSON UNDER ANY OTHER GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL HEALTH  
35 BENEFITS PLAN, GROUP HEALTH PLAN OR CHURCH PLAN.

36     5. IS NOT ENTITLED TO BENEFITS UNDER TITLE XVIII OF THE SOCIAL  
37 SECURITY ACT.

38     Sec. 3. Title 20, chapter 6, article 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, is  
39 amended by adding section 20-1383, to read:

40       20-1383. Coverage for certain dependents until age twenty-five  
41                    by disability insurer; definition

42     A. A DISABILITY INSURER THAT ISSUES OR RENEWS A DISABILITY POLICY TO  
43 AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL ALLOW THE INDIVIDUAL THE OPTION OF PROVIDING COVERAGE FOR  
44 A DEPENDENT.

1       B. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "DEPENDENT" MEANS A  
2 POLICYHOLDER'S CHILD BY BLOOD OR BY LAW WHO MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING  
3 CRITERIA:

- 4       1. IS UNDER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE.
- 5       2. IS UNMARRIED.
- 6       3. HAS NO DEPENDENT.

7       4. IS NOT ACTUALLY PROVIDED COVERAGE AS A NAMED SUBSCRIBER, INSURED,  
8 ENROLLEE OR COVERED PERSON UNDER ANY OTHER GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL HEALTH  
9 BENEFITS PLAN, GROUP HEALTH PLAN OR CHURCH PLAN.

10      5. IS NOT ENTITLED TO BENEFITS UNDER TITLE XVIII OF THE SOCIAL  
11 SECURITY ACT.

12      Sec. 4. Applicability

13      This act applies to all subscription contracts, evidences of coverage  
14 and policies that are issued or renewed from and after December 31, 2009.